Many of our activities do not lend themselves to statistical evaluation. We are very conscious, however, of the increasing number of historical and related tasks which are referred to the Archivist. In the course of the year we prepared for the Department of Law a history of the reception of the Fourteenth Amendment in Maryland, for use in the forthcoming segregation cases before the United States Supreme Court. For the University of Michigan we traced the history of constitutional amendment procedure in Maryland. Since there is no official historical agency in Maryland, we feel it our duty to undertake work of this kind for other State agencies, if not always for the general public. We also find it necessary to assist in any historical celebration or other activity sponsored by local governments, to help in the preservation of objects of art belonging to the State, to assist in the restoration of buildings and monuments.

It is sometimes difficult for the Archivist to know how thin to spread his own time and energy and the time and energy of his staff. He is especially grateful, therefore, to those members of the Commission who after examining the annual reports, comment on the scope as well as on the quantity of our work.

Respectfully submitted,

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